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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action mailed September 12, 2005, wherein the Examiner finally rejected claims 1-13 and 15-55 of the above-referenced application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$500.00, and any additional fees which may be required, to Account No. 01-0857, Order No. 03-AB-059/YOD (ALBR: 0134).

General Authorization for Extensions of Time

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby provide a general authorization to treat this and any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Furthermore, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee for

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